Mr. Kottoor Kunjukrishna Pillai : The answer that Government consider that the time and the labour involved in the collection of the statistics is out of all proportion to its possible utility has no reference to the time or want of time for furnishing the required information. The answer is clear that the time spent in collecting the information is not commensurate with the utility.

President : Government's definite idea is that after a settlement has been arrived at with regard to communal recruitment, all these questions relating to the collection of statistics which are absolutely of no use and can be absolutely of no use to any body are futile ; because for the future certain rules have been laid down and those rules will be followed and as for the past it has been admitted that there have been certain irregularities and the constant exhumation of absolutely defunct corpses will be of no good to anybody. That is the reason why this kind of *post mortem* should not be allowed. (*Mr. Kochikal P. Balakrishnan Tampi : Hear, Hear.*)

Construction of a bridge at the Kuzhikandam kadavu in the Kuzhikandam-Neduvakad road.

15. * **Mr. E. K. Kuripe** (*Parur, Kunnatnad and Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the stage at which the action regarding the construction of a bridge at the Kuzhikandam kadavu in the Kuzhikandam-Neduvakad road in the Varapetty pakuthi stands and whether this work has to be carried out immediately ?

Mr. M. S. Doraswami Aiyangar : The question of constructing a bridge at the place was investigated and it was found to cost Rs. 35,000. Government have come to the conclusion that a bridge entailing such a heavy cost is not an immediate necessity. A junghar service has been established to meet the present requirements.

Kunnatnad Treasury.

16. * **Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar :** (1) Will the Government be pleased to state whether the persons who go to the Kunnatnad treasury at Perumbavur find it very difficult to wait there for want of space either in the treasury buildings or near-by ;

(2) Will they be pleased to state :

(*a*) the average number of persons that go to the said treasury on closing dates for deposit and withdrawal of amount and for cashing cheques ;

(*b*) the average number of such persons going to the said treasury on other days ; and

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(*c*) the place where such persons have to wait and whether there is any convenient place or building, in the treasury buildings near-by for such persons to wait ?

Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao: (1) Yes.

(2) (*a*) About 100.

(*b*) About 150 persons on the first 3 to 5 working days of the month and about 70 persons on other days.

(*c*) People have to wait outside the treasury room on the verandahs and premises of the taluk office buildings as there is no convenient place in the treasury building itself.

Mr. T. Krishna Pillai (*Kalkulam and Vilavankod* cum *Neyyattinkara*): Mr. Narayana Aiyar is not present. Can I put a supplementary question ?

President: Yes.

Mr. T. Krishna Pillai: With reference to the answer to the first part of the question may I know whether Government even after receipt of this interpellation considered the question of making sufficient arrangements for providing accommodation ?

Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao: The matter is under consideration, Sir.

The Eramallor Chiras.

17. ***Mr. E. K. Kuripe:** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the two chiras *viz.*, the Puthuchira and the Kottachira in the Cheruvattoor kara, Eramalloor pakuthi, are Sirkar chiras ;

(*b*) whether Government have received petitions from the people pointing out that the above chiras were the only ones supplying drinking water to cattle and for bathing purposes of the people of the localities like Cheruvattoor, Mulavoor, Vengazhi, Karukadam and Elampra and praying for improving them ; and

(*c*) if so the action taken thereon ?

Mr. M. S. Doraswami Aiyangar: (*a*) Yes, poramboke tanks.

(*b*) Petitions have been received by the Division Officer for improving the tanks for irrigation purposes and not for bathing purposes or for supplying drinking water to cattle.

(*c*) An estimate has been prepared for Puthuchira and the same will be considered if the people are prepared to contribute half the cost. Regarding Kottachira an estimate has been called for.

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